

# PRISONS--IN CITY CHURCHES--ON BOARD THE WAR SHIPS.



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## DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES ABOARD THE VERMONT AT THE BROOKLYN NAVY YARD.

### LAST XMAS IN BROOKLYN CITY.

Mayor Wurster Expresses His Regrets at a Feast for Children.

Poor children of the Eastern District of Brooklyn crowded the Amphion Theatre yesterday, where an entertainment was provided by the East End Christmas Tree Committee. There was also a distribution of presents. Among the persons on the stage were Mrs. J. G. Guilford, the president of the association, Mrs. James W. Fleming, Mrs. P. W. Wurster, Mrs. R. P. Lethbridge and the Misses Lethbridge, Mr. and Mrs. George Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. George May. Mr. J. Adolph Molchaner was chairman. The proceedings were opened with an overture, after which the Rev. Dr. James H. Darlington delivered the greeting. Mayor Wurster delivered an address. In it he said:

"You know, according to our method of government, a number of men who are supposed to have more brains than others are selected to go to Albany each year and legislate for us. These men with a superabundance of brains have thought it wise that we here in Brooklyn should become a portion of the community across the river. That was one of the changes brought about during the year.

"It is perhaps one of the greatest events that could happen in any community. Never before in the history of any nation or State was so grand a municipality wiped out of existence and joined to the municipality of another section of the State. Perhaps some of us will think of the change with regret on account of pleasant recollections, for it is in some sense like moving into a new house. But we have lots to be thankful for. Santa Claus has been very good to you this year."

R. Morrison Gray, who impersonated Santa Claus, gave out the presents. There were about 2,500 children in attendance.

### NED WEYBURN'S BRIDE HIS CHRISTMAS GIFT.

The Actor Wedded to Miss Agnes Saye at the Little Church Around the Corner.

Ned Wayburn, a pianist, was married in the Church of the Transfiguration, "The Little Church Around the Corner," before the principal Christmas service, to Agnes Saye, an actress, who came on from Chicago for the ceremony.

Dr. Houghton performed the ceremony in the little chapel. About a dozen personal friends of the pair were present, including the parents of the bride, who came to this city from New Haven to be present.

The bride was attired in a rich travelling costume. There were no flowers, except a bouquet of bright roses. The couple, it was said after the ceremony, are playing at the Bijou.

### CHRISTMAS IN A BAPTIST CHURCH.

Dr. MacArthur Praises "The Day of All Days"—Many Masses Said by Paulist Fathers.

At Calvary Baptist Church Dr. MacArthur, in his Christmas sermon, said: "We do not envy the man whose heart does not feel the mellowing influences of this glad season. The reverend and sincere soul may at this time of the year hear the songs of joy and rejoicing which the angels sang over the plains of Bethlehem when Christ came to preach peace and good will to all men. Today, of all days, let us away with strife, forego all words of unkindness and forgive the enemies of the year."

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Christmas in San Francisco.



Christmas in the Klondike Region

## HOW CHRISTMAS IS MADE MERRY



Christmas in Chicago



Christmas on the Plains.

## IN FOUR PARTS OF THE COUNTRY.

high masses the great building was unable to hold the throngs which sought entrance. At the first solemn high mass, Fathers Scarle, Elliott and McNichol celebrated. Fathers Nevins, McSorley and Grant officiated at 11 o'clock mass. The Very Rev. M. P. Smith preached an eloquent sermon on the life, teachings and example of Jesus. The altars were beautifully decorated with wreaths of evergreen and great bunches of flowers. Large white lilies were everywhere. A supplied choir of one hundred male voices chanted the Gloria at each mass.

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earth. The family was a symbol of the sanctuary, and the sanctity of the family was necessary to the sanctuary. Christ showed His kindness and His encouragement of the pure pleasures that people have a right to on the right occasions when He turned the water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana."

### THORN RELISHED HIS CHRISTMAS DINNER.

Sing Sing Prisoners Were Given a "Spread" and Several Received Boxes from Friends.

At Sing Sing Prison religious services were followed by exercising about the yard. The convicts were lined up in companies. After drilling for an hour dinner was served. The menu consisted of chicken, with vegetables, fruit and plenty of pie and cake.

The central figure in the prison was Martin Thorne, the murderer of Guldon. He spent the day reading. He apparently relished the rather elaborate meal set before him. Thorne looks well, and to all appearances is unconcerned about his approaching execution, which is set for January 10.

The following programme was rendered in the prison chapel during the morning service: Orchestral Prelude—Overture, "Mirella," orchestra; quartet, "The Flower and the Leaf," soli, "Deep Sea," march, "German Guard Mount Patrol," orchestra. Divine Services—Processional, "Ring the Bells," choir; exhortation, confession and absolution chant, "The Lord's Prayer," choir and congregation; hymn, "All Hail the Power," choir and congregation.

### SALVATION OFFICERS REMEMBERED THE POOR.

Captain Evans Served a Tempting Spread at Her Post for Several Hundred Guests.

Members of the Salvation Army succeeded yesterday in dispensing a great deal of happiness to others. Besides the religious meetings, dinners were given to the poor by several of the officers in their posts. In the afternoon Captain Evans gave a dinner to several hundred persons at her post at Eighty-first street and Third avenue. Chicken, turkey, cranberry sauce and other good things were served.

Adjutant McKendall also gave a dinner at One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street and Lexington avenue and had a large number of guests.

### TITLED AMERICANS KEEP CHRISTMAS.

Countess of Craven (Miss Cornelia Martin) and Lady Beresford (Mrs. Louis Hamersley) Hold Yuletide.

London, Dec. 25.—The week has been the coldest of the season, 10 to 20 degrees of frost being registered, and skating has commenced. All who could do so have gone to the country, where Christmas house parties are more numerous than usual. Of the United States Embassy, the United States Ambassador, Colonel John Hay, and Mrs. Hay, alone remained in town. Mr. Henry White, secretary of the United States Embassy, and Mrs. White, spent the first part of the week at Hatfield, where the Marquis of Salisbury has been entertaining a large shooting party.

Mr. James B. Carter, second secretary of the United States Embassy, and Mrs. Carter, have gone to Biarritz, and Lieutenant J. C. Colwell, the Naval Attache of the United States Embassy, and Mrs. Colwell, are in Paris.

The Earl and Countess of Craven (formerly Miss Cornelia Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Martin), are entertaining a house party at Combe Abbey. They gave their tenants a ball on Christmas Eve. Lord William Beresford and Lady Beresford (formerly Mrs. Louis Hamersley, of New York, and later wife of the eighth Duke of Marlborough, who died in 1892), are also entertaining at Deepdene.

### SANTA CLAUS PAYS A VISIT TO BERLIN.

American Colony Distributes Gifts to Poor Children and the Kaiser Remembers His Servants.

Berlin, Dec. 25.—Clifton R. Breckinridge, the former United States Minister at St. Petersburg, has arrived here to spend the Christmas holidays with his family at Dresden.

There will be no joint celebration of Christmas by the American colony of Berlin. Several American ladies have Christ-

Dr. and Mrs. Seward Webb as My Lord and Lady Bountiful in a Christmas Jollity.

### ALL MAKING MERRY IN THE GREAT BARN.

How President McKinley Kept the Day at Home and Titled Americans Observed It Abroad.

SHELburne, Vt., Dec. 25.—Dr. W. Seward Webb and his wife added to their popularity with the employees of the Shelburne Farms and the plain country folk here about this evening. In the mammoth breeding barn of the farms 350 guests assembled late this afternoon and shared in the bountiful gifts which loaded a large Christmas tree.

For a week active preparations have been going on for the Christmas festivities, planned by Dr. and Mrs. Webb for their employees, their wives and children, the communicants and Sunday-school children of Trinity parish and several of the families of the town. To the employees and parish the invitations were general. Yesterday, down in the breeding barn, where the Christmas supper, the tree and the distribution of presents were the features, workmen were putting things in apple order, while over in the north wing of the Webb mansion, Mrs. Webb, the Doctor, and a small army of servants were arranging and labelling the presents, for all were to receive some useful gift. No one was to be overlooked, and to this end Mrs. Webb was actively alert. Presents had been arriving by the railroad, and to sort and label them was no small undertaking.

Games and Good Feeling.—The children began arriving at the breeding barn early in the afternoon. In the ring part of the building and on the track where blooded horses are exercised the boys of the farms and Shelburne village played football to their hearts' content.

A cedar tree, mounted on a platform, was in the centre of the carriage wash room. This room was banked on every side with hemlock trees. The carriage house was festooned to the ceiling with holly, while mirrors, palms and flowers were banked on either side. The tables for the spread which was to follow the distribution of gifts had already been arranged. Candelabras and beautiful bouquets of flowers decorated the board.

Master Vanderbilt Webb, five years old, and the youngest son of the Doctor, was the juvenile Santa Claus, in furs and whiskers. The presents were carried by him to the recipients as their names were called. Children under thirteen years of age received toys in great variety. The oldest employees at the farms were presented with gold watches or fur overcoats, while every farmhand received something to gladden his heart.

Dinner and Dancing.—Dr. Webb and Mrs. Webb occupied seats at the dinner table, which was adjourned till after the distribution of gifts.

There were oysters, chicken, croquettes, chicken salad, frozen salmon, cold ham, cold tongue, relishes, ice cream, cake, coffee, bouillon, jamonade, fruits, nuts and candy. It was an enjoyable Christmas meal, and was made more pleasurable by the playing of an orchestra and the singing of Trinity Church choir.

By 9 o'clock the floor was cleared for dancing. A simple contra dance was first in the list, in which the Doctor and Mrs. Webb led the figure, while others who tripped it were town business men, farm overseers, horse trainers and farm laborers.

The children were provided with games of all kinds, a phonograph, a fish pond and a sixty-pound bag of candy, which they burst and then scrambled for the contents, while the elders made themselves merry in Virginia reel and quadrille.

As midnight approached the farm employees and village folk gathered in the centre of the carriage room and they gave three rousing cheers for their host and hostess, but Dr. and Mrs. Webb only heard the echo of these lusty cheers, for at that time they were driving to the mansion, two miles lakeward.

### MCKINLEY GIVES WITH LAVISH HAND.

President and Wife Distribute Christmas Presents by the Wholesale and are Quietly Happy.

Washington, Dec. 5.—The celebration of Christmas at the White House during the day hours was more quiet than that of any holiday there in the last half century. Owing to the recent bereavement of the President neither he nor Mrs. McKinley received half a dozen callers all day. Secretary and Mrs. Long paid their respects during the morning, but they retired after a few moments, and the President and his wife went out for a drive.

The immediate predecessors of the President had children in their families, and therefore, for the proper observance of the festival, it was always essential to set up a Christmas tree. President Harrison loaded the tree with presents not only for the children of the family, but for the secretaries, clerks and employees of the house. This year there were no little stockings to be filled by the Executive; neither was there a Christmas tree. But presents were distributed with a generous hand.

### STOLE A LOAD OF CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

While John B. Martin, a driver for the Adams Express Company, at Larchmont-on-the-Sound, was delivering a package at a cottage in Collins avenue, in the Manor, on Christmas Eve, a thief mounted the box and drove away. The wagon contained a load of Christmas presents consigned to wealthy Larchmont residents. Martin notified the police and they, with several bicyclists, searched the highways but could get no trace of the thief.

The police believe that the Found pirates are again at work and that the booty was carried away in a boat.

Will Help Congressmen.—The President has finally concluded that if he orders a modification of the rules, the benefit of the Congressmen of the West and South will be very great. The Congressmen, men, or those at least who are serving their first term, are of the same opinion. Congressional elections will be held next November. There will be no election in some small degree, the effect of playing tag with the civil service rules.



Snow Baling.

About one young woman in ten now-a-days would dare to run out bare headed and bare handed and frolic in midwinter. They have to be muffled like hot-house flowers before they dare venture out in severe weather, and even then they would shudder at the thought of rolling in the snow as their grandfathers did.

The trouble lies in the fact that too few women enjoy perfect health and strength or the special womanly organism. A woman who is not well and strong locally cannot enjoy good general health.

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